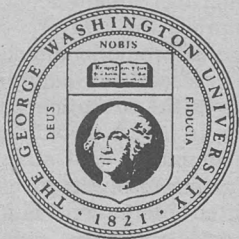


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## SA-run book swap starts this week

BY MICHELLE VON EUW  
NEWS EDITOR

Members of the Student Association are preparing for GW's first student-run book exchange, to be held this week.

The exchange, which will allow students to buy and sell used text books directly to other students, will take place Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Colonial Commons on the second floor of the Marvin Center.

"We've gotten a lot of inquiries," said SA undergraduate Sen. Mark Reynolds (CCGSAS), who is running the exchange. "People seem really interested."

SA President Al Park said the SA office has received "tons of calls" about the program. He said he is a "little nervous" because it is sometimes difficult to get students involved in new programs. He added that it might take some time for the exchange to catch on.

Students can bring their used textbooks to Colonial Commons this week and volunteers will register the book and the seller's name. Reynolds said each student selling books can determine the price.

At the end of the week, students can claim either their money or their unsold book.

Reynolds said the GW Bookstore was "somewhat cooperative." Dave Peterson, bookstore general manager, was not available for comment.

Over the summer, the University renegotiated their contract with the bookstore to allow a student-run book exchange, Reynolds said. "I think they recognize the need for one," he said.

While the bookstore did not give the SA a list of books that will be used for each course, Reynolds

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Tajama Abraham decimates the SMSU defense Dec. 29.  
GW's head coach wants to see those empty seats filled Tuesday.

## Politicians address Teach for America

Simon, Wofford, Stephanopoulos visit GW

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
AND MICHELLE VON EUW  
HATCHET STAFF WRITERS

U.S. Sen. Paul Simon (D-Ill.), senior presidential adviser George Stephanopoulos and former senator and civil rights leader Harris Wofford spoke at GW this weekend to promote education reform and protection of federal programs that assist education.

They were the special guests of more than 300 alumni of Teach for America, a national teacher corps that sends educators to needy inner-city and rural schools. The group held its annual summit in the Marvin Center this weekend.

Simon, the keynote speaker at Friday night's welcome reception, spoke of the need for "quality and quantity" in education and criticized Congress's new Republican

leadership for advocating the elimination of education programs such as Head Start.

"They want to cut programs which help poor people, generally," Simon said.

He also criticized wealthier school districts for capitalizing on programs such as Chapter 1, which benefits special education. Simon said school districts that do not need federal money actually are getting the most, while poorer school districts recycle workbooks and force teachers to pay for their own supplies.

"We need to concentrate the money on places where they really have the problems," Simon said. "But those who are least fortunate don't do very well in the lobbying halls. We simply have to fund education better than we're doing it

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## Judicial violations up from last year

More than half of cases involve alcohol

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The number of students who violate the Student Code of Conduct this school year probably will surpass last year's total by the middle of the semester, the Dean of Students Office predicts.

Already, 222 students were charged with infractions, with more than half being alcohol-related.

"At this rate, by mid-semester we will begin to surpass the total number for last year," Judicial Affairs Services administrator Mike Walker said. His office handled 356 cases last school year.

Walker called last semester's numbers unprecedented, especially in November, during which 55 cases were reported.

"We weren't used to November being so busy," he said, attributing the increased alcohol infractions to unusually warm weather that month. "We're pleased when it gets cold. People stay indoors," he added.

Recent efforts by the District's Alcohol Control Board to crack down on local bars serving alcohol to underage drinkers and already-drunk patrons have not shown their effects on campus, Walker said.

"You would think that the decrease (in bars serving them) would have kept people out of area taverns," he said. "But I don't think we've felt the effects of that crackdown."

Most of the other infractions were theft, ID and drug violation, endangering the lives of others or self, destruction of property and failure to comply with University policy.

The University's view of sanctions have moved away from fines and toward community service. Nearly half of all sanctions were community service, compared to 46 fines.

Walker said he and Assistant Dean of Students Jan-Mitchell Sherrill decided to make community service for the University Police Department the preferred sanction.

"We made a conscious decision to stop hitting students in the pocket and have them do something constructive," Walker said.

Almost 70 percent of the violators were men. Fifty-four percent were freshmen.

"I can't speculate if this year's class is drinking more," Walker said.

Nine fraternities and one sorority also were charged with violations, almost all alcohol-related. The violations were split evenly between on- and off-campus students.

Also significant was the large drop in the number of telephone fraud cases.

### 222 students were charged with violations of the Code of Student Conduct\*:

Freshmen: 54 percent  
Sophomores: 26 percent  
Juniors: 10 percent  
Seniors: 7 percent  
Graduate students: 3 percent  
Men: 68 percent  
Women: 32 percent  
On-campus residents: 57 percent  
Off-campus students: 43 percent  
12 students were cleared of violation  
35 students were repeat offenders

\*numbers may change, pending outcome of December hearings.  
Source: Office of Student Judicial Services

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# The new year means pie-in-the-sky resolutions

The alarm shrieks like a banshee and I bolt out of bed, sweat marking the sheet like a chalk outline at a crime scene. Connie Chung was chatting amiably with my mom! It all seemed so real!

I always get nightmares before a new semester. My therapist says it's part of coping. However, this is my eighth semester and I know how to deal with it: count to 10, take deep breaths, stand under a cold shower and don't go anywhere near the bookstore.

We're baaaaaack. I hope your break was better than Newt's. Forget your skiing accident and New Year's Day hangover – how'd you like to lose a \$4.5 million book advance, see your last name in headlines between the words "How the" and "Stole Christmas" and worse yet, have a pseudojournalist weasel your mother into saying you called one of the world's most powerful women a ... well, you know? A witch. With a B. (If you don't know what word I mean, here's a clue: it

doesn't quite rhyme with "Counterculture McGoverniks.")

You'd want that to happen to you about as much as my editor wanted to read the above paragraph. So be thankful.

I enjoy the start of the new year, when everyone is still living up to resolutions about buckling down, switching off "Melrose Place" and REALLY studying. Where's that syllabus ... "Jan. 17, 19: Chap. 1, Chap. 2 (pp. 68-121 only), reserve readings 1-3." Oops, commercial's

over – back to reality.

The tradition of making pledges for a new year dates back to Roman festivals honoring the god of beginnings, Janus, from whom we get the names January and Jenny Craig. Historians credit Emperor Nero with the first such resolution, when he vowed to bring urban renewal to downtown Rome.

The tradition thrives here, too, including such famous oaths as, "I'll get you, my pretty – and your little dog, too," and "Read my lips, no new taxes."

Today's resolutions often focus on self-improvement, evoking the spirit of the prayer, "Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can and wisdom to never again schedule an 8 a.m. class."

Unfortunately, in practice it often becomes, "Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the fact that I don't have the courage or wisdom to make the changes I'm about to promise."

My primary resolution this year is to write engaging, insightful columns that bring the readers a little closer to the world around them. Looks like I've already broken that one.

I also resolve to watch less television. That is, after the NFL playoffs. And after college hoops season. And excluding Thursday nights.

Here are some of the newsworthy New Year's resolutions you may have missed when partying with high school friends back

home, while I was engrossed in C-SPAN and "MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour" (okay, it was reruns of "Hogan's Heroes" and "Xuxa"):

- "I, Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, resolve to improve the University by cashing in our promotional and marketing successes for capital improvements in the education we provide. I vow to invest in professors, books, computers and other resources. I further resolve to paint the Washington Monument buff and blue for this spring's commencement."

- "I, Marion S. Barry Jr., resolve to strengthen confidence in my administration by appointing more professional boxing managers to positions of responsibility."

- "I, William Jefferson Clinton, resolve to define what I stand for as president by outlining my absolutely most important legislative priorities and concentrating exclusively on those goals. OK, my second most important priorities, too. And a few others."

Fortunately, we sometimes find pledges that have already been fulfilled:

- "I, Robert Herbert Walker Dole, resolve to spend a lot of time in New Hampshire."

- "I, Newt Gingrich's mom, resolve to repeat publicly any comments I regret having made to reporters and/or Connie Chung."

I'll add one more: "I, John Norman Rega, resolve never to watch another episode of 'Xuxa.'" I think I can stick to this one.

-John Rega

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# MLK medal honors leaders

## Annual convocation recognizes civil rights achievements

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
NEWS EDITOR

The University will honor four professionals and one GW student at Wednesday's Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation. The five were chosen for their outstanding work in the fields of civil and human rights.

The 1995 Martin Luther King Jr. Medals will be awarded to Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary, Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.), Bureau of Indian Affairs Assistant Secretary Ada Deer and San Francisco lawyer Jesse Arnelle. The student medalist is Anjelious Farmer, president and treasurer of the Alpha Kappa Alpha service sorority.

The medals are given annually to professionals and a student who exemplify the convocation's theme of "The Dream In Action" through work in their communities and fields of expertise.

Farmer, a senior majoring in computer information systems, was a member of the 1994 Colonial Cabinet and is now a student admissions representative. She was also secretary of the Black Peoples' Union in 1993 and is still involved with that organization. She has been president and treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha for two years.

Farmer said the reception of the medal "has a lot to do with what you do both on and off campus." She said Alpha Kappa Alpha takes part in many community

service initiatives in the District.

O'Leary is the first of the United States' seven energy secretaries to support a ban on nuclear testing. She has also led the fight to make public records of radiation and weapons testing during the Cold War.

Mineta is beginning his 10th term in the House. He

was appointed chairman of the House Committee on Public Works and Transportation in January 1993 and is the first Asian American to chair a major House committee.

Deer, a Menominee Indian, was the first Native American to receive a master's degree from Columbia University's School of Social Work in 1967. She serves on the U.S. Department of Labor's Indian Advisory Committee and chairs the Native American Rights Fund's National Support Committee.

Arnelle's law firm, Arnelle & Hastie, was named one of the top 12 black-owned firms in the nation by Black Enterprise magazine. Arnelle served as official attaché to the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles and was prominent in the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg will give the keynote address at the convocation. The GW Gospel Choir will provide entertainment.

The convocation will be on Jan. 18 in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre at 4:30 p.m. Admission is free, and the event is open to the public.

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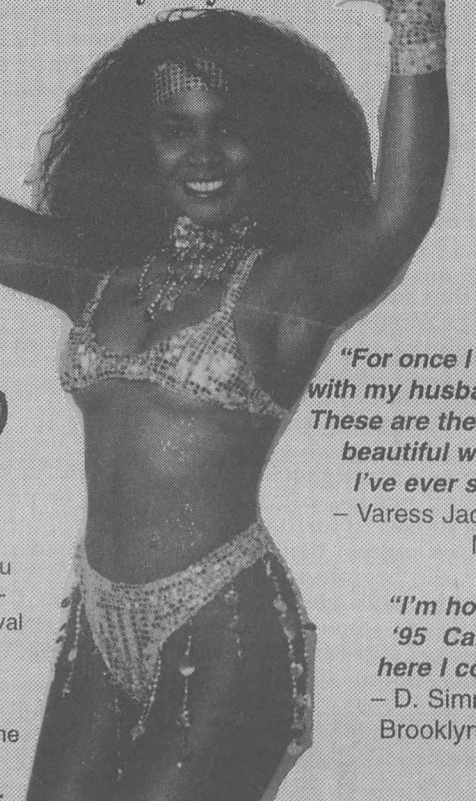
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## New Year's Resolutions For GW

At the beginning of the school year, The Hatchet offered the GW administration a wish list for the semester. Much to our pleasure, many of these wishes came true. Now, half way through the year, we again ask the administration for some New Year's resolutions to raise the standards of the institution.

- In August, we asked the Student Association to produce something tangible this year. Now, it is poised to launch a book exchange program that could take the teeth out of the GW Bookstore's monopoly. The SA should resolve to stick with this ambitious program, and students should give it a try before paying full price at the bookstore.

- The Office of Residential Life should resolve to produce a more painless lottery. They should estimate, in advance, if there will be shortages in rooms, and make preparations for alternative housing early. To their credit, ORL has already decided to move the lottery up to Sunday afternoon, to avoiding an all-night fiasco like last year.

- In response to calls for a better Gelman library, GW has taken strides to improve by hiring a new University librarian semester. We hope Jack Siggins resolves to keep improving, to increase Gelman's supply of popular periodicals and raise the general standards in our consortium.

- The administration should resolve to keep pressuring the District to push through key construction projects including the new WETA building and the Health and Wellness Center. President Trachtenberg should harvest his acquaintance with newly inaugurated Mayor Marion Barry to see that GW gets the fair treatment it deserves.

- Finally, the Environmental Task Force should promise to produce some tangible results in its pursuit to make GW a "Green University." A few new recycling bins and some fluorescent lights are not enough. The University needs to sell stubborn students on the merits of recycling if we wish to succeed.

These resolutions are not unobtainable, but they must be actively pursued. Half way through the year, GW has already made strides to improve the quality of student life. Let's hope this next semester brings even more improvements.

### For the administration

New D.C. Mayor Marion Barry also should make some New Year's resolutions, personal and professional, if he wishes to dig Washington out of the hole into which it has sunk.

- Personally, Barry must prove to voters that after his highly publicized fall from grace, he is now a reformed man, ready to get down to business and prove to watchful eyes that he will fulfill his campaign promises.

- Likewise, Barry's return to power came mostly from a segmented, minority population. Barry needs to mobilize support from all the city's population, especially from those citizens who live outside Ward 8. Washington needs an ethnic and racial unity movement, and Barry should be the mayor who gets the ball rolling.

- Barry must resolve to spend the city's new Wall Street loans wisely. If that means building a convention center or keeping the Redskins in Washington or if it means bringing jobs to more D.C. residents, Barry may have only one chance with this nearly bankrupt city. He can't afford to let it slip away.

- Finally, Barry must stand up to and work with the new Republican Congress. He must hold on to the last sliver of the District's representation in Congress and strive to break the federal governments stranglehold on the city. This means he must fight to get federal aid for unfunded mandates or prevent the government from imposing further mandates against the city's will.

Barry took a great deal of responsibility when he took the oath of office at the beginning of the year, and there is no shortage of critics of this controversial mayor. However, if Barry adheres to these important resolutions, he could turn this city around. The District has great potential, but first Barry must take the helm and bail out this sinking ship.

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## Same problems, different times

Is it possible to psychoanalyze a student body? If it is, GW's could sure use some collective head shrinking. The neurosis is an old one.

Back before The Flood, when I was a disgruntled member of the Class of 1970, it was just about the universal opinion of GW students that 1) the library was ludicrous 2) the gym was preposterous 3) the dorms were utterly deficient and 4) the administration was insensitive to the point of being insensate.

Reading The GW Hatchet shows that the old saying is right on the mark: the more things change, the more they stay the same. I am about to renew my subscription. I would not want to lose that feeling of connection.

Believe it or not, the entire University library was once housed in Lisner Hall, the "tall" building on G Street, between 20th and 21st. Now GW has the Gelman Library, the subject of editorials that could have been written 25 years ago.

The University "athletic center" was in a shed on H Street next to the law school. It was known without affection as the "Tin Tabernacle." If you don't believe me, go to the special collections room in the Gelman Library and look at page 4 of the 1967 yearbook. The home court for the basketball team was at Fort Meyer. It was really weird going to Arlington Cemetery to see a basketball game.

Today, people are harping about too few racquetball courts in the Smith Center, so the University will soon put up a new Health and Wellness Center, complete with gyms galore. My, my.

In the '60s, students got out of the dorms and into apartments just as fast as possible. People took jobs, even second jobs, just to speed that process. For my freshman year, my dorm was the original Adams Hall, at the corner of 19th and H streets, right next to the Western Presbyterian Church. My

window was about 15 feet from the bell that pious congregation felt obliged to ring at an ungodly hour every Sunday morning. How would you like to be startled awake, hours before you want to be, and your first thought is that the capitol city was, at that very moment, under atomic attack? I remember taking weekly comfort in what my political science professor told us about the advantage in being so close to ground zero - "In the event of nuclear war, you might see the flash, but you won't hear the boom."

Today, folks enter a lottery just to get into the dorms. The complaint? GW does not provide enough of these highly desired rooms. My, my, my.

Back then, the president of the University was a dentist and about as much fun. The administration was so out of touch with students that we had to shut the place down just to get a "Day of Dialogue" with some of the powers that were. The contempt for the administration (and, therefore, the University itself) was palpable. Sound familiar? It should.

We now have a graduate student named Jennifer R. Abodeely telling us that because she feels her tuition is extremely high (not too high, just extremely high) she is already certain she will never, ever contribute as an alumna ("Alumni woes," The GW Hatchet, Dec. 8, p. 5). Apparently Abodeely has no faith in her own ability to "just say no" to a request for contributions as she felt compelled to have the alumni office put her on the official "no mail ever, no solicitation" list.

Abodeely is upset that her reasons were misunderstood and that some vice president and even President Trachtenberg himself wrote to her, trying to get her to change her mind. Abodeely was born too late. Back in my day, nobody would have bothered.

Abodeely tells us that she "con-

sider(s) (her)self a customer of the University and should be treated with the respect that a paying customer gets when he or she goes shopping." Could it be that Abodeely has unearthed the thread that binds the GW ages together?

GW just happens to provide a superb education. Even Abodeely, however grudgingly, admits that. But what is such an education worth? It took me too many years to learn the answer. Like most important things in life, it is worth only what one makes of it. So what if a truism is also trite?

If, as a result of her degrees, Abodeely makes a ton of money, even she should be able to "forgive" GW for this, its latest transgression. Hopefully, Abodeely's disowning of her alma mater can be dismissed as premature. However, for as long as Abodeely continues to equate her education with a hamburger, that is all it will be worth and worse, she will not be educated.

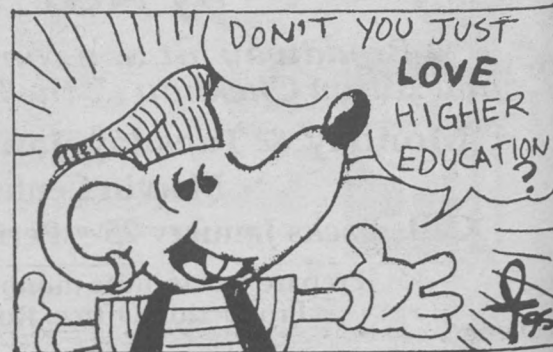
What can possess such a presumably intelligent person to so devalue her education and, indeed, herself? Perhaps the answer can be found in the constancy of such an attitude at GW through the years. Clearly, Abodeely's lack of pride and self-confidence is not unique, let alone new. It has been at GW for 25 years and more that I know of. You can still hear the same song from many of my classmates: "Give to GW? The second largest land owner in Washington? What did they ever do for me?"

Could it be that the GW student body suffers from some institutional neurosis, handed down year after year? I would rather think it is an individual problem, as common at GW as it is everywhere, but only a professional can know for sure.

Philip S. Glickman is a  
GW alumnus.

Start the semester on the right foot - submit an op-ed to The GW Hatchet

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# OPINION

Mike Walker

Connie Livengood

## Alcohol program works to help GW problem drinkers

We strongly disagree with Kevin Herrick's op-ed, "GW students are adults; Let's treat them that way" (The GW Hatchet, Dec. 5, p. 5), and his contention that it is not the place of our educational institutions to decide how much drinking is too much for students. The simple fact is that the majority of incidents of assault, damage to property and theft that occur on campus are alcohol related. The concept of personal responsibility that Herrick mentions is the premise from which the campus judicial process and alcohol education programs operate. Student affairs administrators who work with and assist students on a daily basis assume that every GW student is "an adult." Therefore we advocate responsible civil interaction in our community, and choose to speak with students about their behavioral issues, instead of contacting students' families.

Herrick seems to be confusing two separate issues - violent crime in Washington, and the enforcement of drinking laws. Implying that the District would be better served with getting tougher on gun control laws instead of being vigilant about enforcing drinking laws is like contesting a speeding ticket because the police officer who issued it should have been out catching hardened criminals instead.

The Substance Abuse Prevention Center provides a comprehensive campus-wide program that addresses the issue of substance prevention in the GW community. The main objectives of this program are to provide alcohol and drug education, inform students of the risks involved with excessive drinking, to challenge the campus "drinking culture" and to provide a variety of activities as alternatives to alcohol and drug use.

As educators, we frequently deal with students who engage, often on a regular basis, in high risk and abusive drinking. A student who has, as Herrick described, "one beer with that spaghetti ... fined a hefty \$50 and sent off to alcohol re-education camp" is not drinking in an excessive manner and is probably not an alcoholic. Furthermore, it is not the students who engage in responsible drinking, or a harmless glass of wine, that create turmoil on campus. Conversely, it's those who imbibe in the consumption of copious amounts of alcohol, with no concern for their individual health or the safety of others, and/or those who end up in the GW emergency room at the end of the night who concern us.

A study recently released from the Harvard School of Public Health reports that 50 percent of male students and 39 percent of female students are binge drinkers. Binge drinking is defined as "the consumption of five or more drinks in a row for men and four or more drinks for women." These are the students that we hope to reach, and hope to provide with the necessary education that they need. If they are truly adult-like students, they will recognize our efforts as legitimate, their problems as real and take advantage of the resources offered to them. And if they don't, then we must begin to protect the rest of the community from those students.

The same Harvard study indicates that 87 percent of students surveyed said that other students' drinking has an impact on them. Again, when we see the number of students who end up as victims of crimes by other students who are intoxicated, this statistic becomes very real.

The mandated alcohol programs that the Substance Abuse Prevention Center offers are informal, and help students define and clarify the difference between low and high risk drinking. Because more 80 percent of traditional college-aged students use alcohol, instead of preaching abstinence, the spirit of all educational interventions is that students drink in moderation and attempt to predict the consequences of their behavior.

Finally, we agree with Herrick's statement regarding the University as a "center for academic freedom," and that GW should liberate its students by holding them responsible for their own actions. As adults within our academic community, students are encouraged to speak for themselves regarding alcohol-related behavior, and are offered alcohol education programs that are in many ways superior to those offered at comparable universities. In a culture that sees going to college as synonymous with mass consumption as a rite of passage, we as administrators, educators and friends worry that the next drinking-related incident report may include news of a student fatality. Herrick's referring to a sense of "alcoholophobia" sweeping our society is as insulting as it is ludicrous.

By treating all students as adults, the University attempts to safeguard students against criminal or civil charges, and undertakes the responsibility of offering educational programs in lieu of punitive sanctions and/or long-term criminal records that non-students experience when they break the law.

Mike Walker, administrator for Student Judicial Services, Connie Livengood, Substance Abuse Prevention coordinator.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Hail to the Gold?

I was pleased to read the letter from Dawn Darling ("Hail to the buff," The GW Hatchet, Dec. 1, p. 4) in which she defended the current growth of school spirit and the pride that we all feel for the growing reputation of the University and for the success of GW's student athletes. I think this positive development is especially important as we begin the celebration of the University's 175th anniversary. There were, however, two issues raised by Darling that I would like to address.

While fan support for athletic teams and student and alumni involvement in campus activities did appear to fall off in the years that followed the elimination of Colonial football in 1967, it is an overstatement to say that school spirit was "something that GW lacked for about 170 years." When the University made a renewed commitment in the late 1980s to field more competitive teams, it was a return to an earlier tradition of excellence both in the classroom and on the playing field (or court) for the teams that wear buff and blue.

This brings me to the second issue. Why are the current uniforms of the Colonials gold and blue instead of buff and blue? I have been told by several people on campus that uniform manufacturers do not regularly stock "buff," which is a cream or brownish yellow color. For example, one needs to look no further than the University flag or the dust cover of "Bricks Without Straw," the history of GW written by the late Elmer Louis Kayser. It seems clear to me that if Harvard can have "crimson" uniforms instead of having to settle for just plain red, if Columbia University can proudly wear "Columbia blue" and even if Atlantic 10 rival Temple is able to wear its school color of "cherry," the Colonials should wear the traditional school colors chosen for GW teams early in this century. The significance of buff and blue is

that they were the colors chosen by General George Washington for the uniforms of his officers in the War for Independence and they are an important aspect of the University's identification and heritage.

I hope next year, as the University begins its 175 anniversary observance, the Colonials are proudly decked out in buff and blue. And as a season ticket holder for basketball, I would like to ask the cheerleaders to no longer cheer for the "blue and gold." That's a cheer for West Virginia or Pittsburgh, but certainly not for the George Washington Colonials!

-Michael La Place, 1985 and 1989 alumnus

### A clear code

In keeping with the national trend for universities to issue codes of ethical practice and conduct for computer users, the administration at GW has adopted the George Washington University Code of Conduct for Users of Computing Systems. This code was developed over the past year by the Advisory Council on Academic Computing, by faculty members appointed by the deans from each of the schools, as well as two at-large members and a student representative appointed by the vice president for academic affairs. The council used guidelines issued by EDUCOM, a professional organization for higher education, to develop a code that would as much as possible protect the rights of users and encourage responsible computer use by all members of the academic community.

The primary purpose of the code is to provide information to all University computer users to enable them to understand what is considered appropriate use of University computing resources so that all users can have their computing needs met. The document will also hopefully promote the socialization of new computer users into the ethics and norms of

University culture to be a deterrent to unethical or illegal behavior and to provide the basis for the adjudication of controversies regarding possible inappropriate use of computers.

The code is divided into two parts: the general philosophy statement behind the code and a set of operational do's and don'ts. The do's explain the expected actions of all users of University computing systems. The don'ts are examples of unacceptable computing activity. Violations can result in temporary or permanent loss of access to GW computing systems and action being taken by the appropriate administrative or judicial body.

Under current laws, the University has the legal right to monitor and protect its computing systems and has the ethical responsibility to protect users of its systems from the malicious actions of other users. To that end, the directors of the University computing systems are charged with the responsibility of monitoring the computer usage of those who are issued accounts on their systems. The code specifies that computer systems administrators may monitor the activities of individual users to maintain system performance and to ensure security. However, they do not have the right to read electronic mail or the contents of user files at random. Administrators may only inspect the contents of electronic mail or other computer files if they have a reasonable suspicion of malfeasance.

It is the hope of the ACAC that the publication of this code will make all members of the campus community more aware of the important issues regarding the ethics, rights and responsibilities of computer usage.

-C. Dianne Martin, chair of Advisory Council on Academic Computing,  
J. Bradley Reese, director of the Computer Information and Resource Center



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## GW Hospital employee victim of Christmas Eve shooting

A GW Hospital employee was shot and killed on Christmas Eve near his grandmother's Northwest home, police said.

Carlton Louis Jones, 39, died on Dec. 24 from multiple gunshot wounds to his chest and torso, Metropolitan Police said. Jones had been a service worker in the University's hospital emergency room since May 1994.

Police said Jones was in a parking lot off an alley in the 5300 block of Georgia Ave. N.W. when he was shot. He died before arriving at the

Washington Hospital Center at 6:05 p.m.

Jon Truett, director of the department of environmental services where Jones worked, said the alley was behind Jones' grandmother's house. MPD Sgt. Michael Farish of the homicide division confirmed that Jones had family in the area.

Jones had been a popular employee in the emergency room who helped keep the area clean, Truett said.

"They loved him up there," he said. "(Jones was) a real personal

guy. Real popular."

He lived in the 900 block of Ingraham St. N.W. One of his coworkers at the hospital was with him when he died, though Truett would not say who that was.

Police are still trying to determine a motive, which may include robbery or personal contact with the attackers.

"We don't want to eliminate anything," Farish said. "But we are looking at two possible scenarios," neither of which he would reveal.

-Elissa Leibowitz

## SA holds book exchange this week

(from p. 1)

said they did give him copies of the original professors' lists.

Reynolds said he is unsure of how comprehensive his lists will be. He recommended that students go to class once or check the lists in the bookstore to determine which books they will need for their courses.

Park said he is optimistic that the sale will go well, but added that he expects the first day to be slow.

"The largest part of our target audience is still on break," he said.

Reynolds said the SA decided to hold the exchange at the beginning of spring semester instead of at the end of fall semester for several reasons.

He said the main reason was because other schools that run student book exchanges have had more success in the spring semester. It also would have been difficult for student volunteers if the SA held the exchange during finals.

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# District delegate loses right to vote in House

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) and four other delegates from U.S. territories lost another part of their small say in Congress last week.

The Republican majority, during its first day of the 104th Congress, voted to eliminate the delegates' voting power on the floor.

The delegates previously could vote in the Committee of the Whole, except when their votes were the deciding factor on a bill. In that case, which occurred four times in 1993, the House called a revote.

Norton, who two years ago fought to gain the right to vote in Congress, said she "deeply regrets" the decision.

"Oh, that is a bittersweet thing for the delegates, especially for this delegate, who represents 600,000 taxpaying citizens," Norton said prior to the vote on the House floor.

Besides Norton, delegates from Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam and the Virgin Islands lost their voting power, except in committee meetings.

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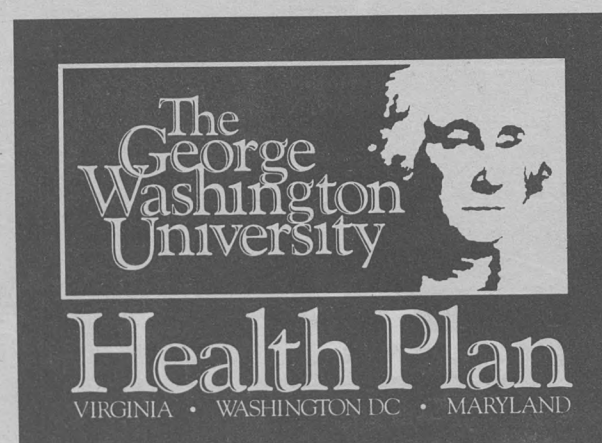
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# Survey says freshmen don't care for politics

BY TRACY SISSER  
MANAGING EDITOR

College freshmen's interest in politics plummeted to a new low this year, according to a study sponsored by UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute.

The number of students who consider themselves middle of the road increased, while the number of students who label themselves liberals or conservatives decreased.

Only 32 percent of students who entered college in fall 1994 said "keeping up with political affairs" is an important goal for them. This compares with 42 percent in 1990 and 58 percent in 1966.

The study also reported the number of freshman who say they frequently discuss politics is at its lowest point ever, falling from 19 percent last year to 16 percent this year. The highest level of political discussion, 30 percent, was registered during the 1968 election year.

"In the last 15 to 20 years there has been a waning of interest" in politics, Lee Sigelman, political science department chair, said.

But he said he would be

stunned if GW freshmen's interest level was not above the national average. He added this may be a good sign since political interest usually means students are reacting to social or political problems.

The survey tracked students' interest in other issues. Support for legalization of marijuana increased for the fifth straight year, while support for legislation to outlaw homosexuality reached an all-time low, the study said.

On behavioral issues, smoking among college freshmen is up, while alcohol consumption has decreased on a national level. The number of students who smoke frequently rose for the sixth time in the past seven years, to 13 percent in 1994 from 9 percent in 1985.

The study also found that students must borrow more to pay for college. Dependence on loans for money to pay for college increased for the eighth time in the past 10 years.

The freshman study is sponsored by the American Council on Education. It surveyed 333,700 students at 670 two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

## Marvin Center director removed from post

Two members of the Office of Campus Life are running the Marvin Center after former Director Steven Sitrin was removed from that position at the end of December.

OCL Executive Director LeNorman Strong would not reveal why Sitrin was asked to leave the position, which he held since 1990.

Johnnie T. Osborne, OCL associate director of fiscal affairs, and David McElveen, associate director of business affairs, now share responsibility of running

the student union building at 800 21st St. N.W.

Sitrin is now working in the Office of Special Events on projects relating to the University's 175th anniversary and Commencement.

"I'm happy where I am now," Sitrin said. "Sometimes it's time to make a change and it's now that time."

Sitrin oversaw the construction of J Street and had worked on plans for the Marvin Center's upcoming renovation.

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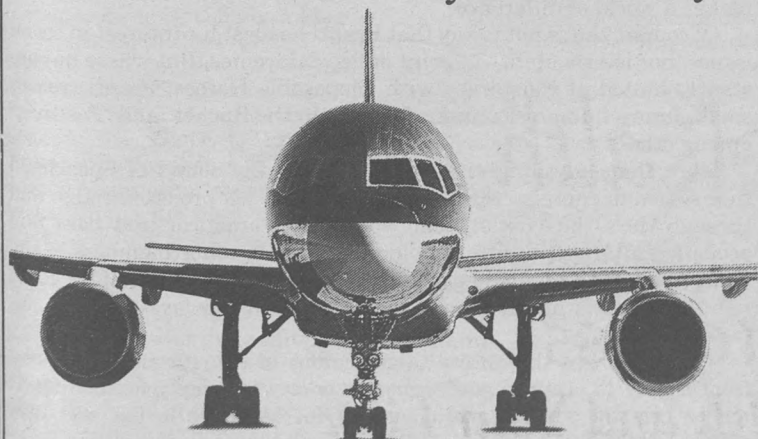
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# impressions

## See It! Feel It! 'The Who's Tommy' trips through town

BY ELISSA LEIBOWITZ  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

**S**ex. Drugs. Rock 'n' roll. The three elements of the '60s flashed across the Kennedy Center's stage, but not the way they were intended - at least compared to the movie version of Pete Townshend's "Tommy."

Townshend said he was pleased with the stage version, which has racked up five Tony awards since opening in April 1993. And he should be. Despite the absence of the wild hallucinations that made "The Who's Tommy" what it once was, it's still great to hear rock music in the Kennedy Center.

The Who revolutionized the then-never heard of rock opera with the tale of Tommy Walker (Rachel Beth Levenson at age 4, Brett Levenson at age 10 and Steve Issacs grownup in the Kennedy Center's staging), a deaf, dumb and blind boy who becomes a celebrity for his mastery of the pinball.

Compared to the 1975 movie

starring Ann-Margaret, Elton John, Eric Clapton and of course the Who, the stage version is easier to follow. And it's snazzier, too, with help from a computerized set that smoothly rolled the sets on cue, including hydraulic, floating pinball machines.

But a few character changes made "Tommy" more attractive to a drug-free, family values, '90s audience. Mrs. Walker (Christy Tarr), donned in her June Cleaver dresses, outwardly cared about her son Tommy. In the movie, Ann-Margaret showed her love through drinking binges, hot pants and hallucinations of being drowned in a sea of beans. On stage, she preferred paying attention to her son.

Sleazy Uncle Ernie's (Stephen Lee Anderson) pedophilic romp with Tommy was simply hinted at on stage, while the original is more blatant. It's hard to say, though, how an audience would react to sexual abuse.

And the audience, which is expected to leave the theater these days with a warm, happy feeling, received a nice new present from



Former MTV veejay Steve Isaacs (center) is the title character in the Kennedy Center's production of 'The Who's Tommy.'

director Des McAnuff. The movie shows the world, obsessed with Tommy's spellbound pinball playing, begging to be like him. When Tommy explains how he just wants to have a normal life like everyone else, they abandon him for not sharing his secret of success.

But on stage, Tommy's finale makes his friends and family sad - Yes Tommy, we feel bad for you and would never want as terrible a life being a celebrity and making lots

of money and going on "The Ed Sullivan Show." The film was more realistic.

And what makes "Tommy" a rock opera is the music. It's odd that there is a nine-piece orchestra including synthesizers and guitars in the pit. The music was identical to Who's versions, but performance of such songs as "Pinball Wizard" "See Me, Feel Me" and "Listening to You" in "Miss Saigon"-style was peculiar.

Regardless of his own little world, Tommy is innocent, ignoring how his family and friends have exploited him. His gets better as he grows up and the world learns a lesson. And it seems his creator, Pete Townshend, has grown up, too.

"The Who's Tommy" runs through Jan. 22 at the Kennedy Center.

## Pretty Boy Pitt comes a-courtin'

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Rolling Stone magazine recently described *Legends of the Fall* as "falling a bit into the realm of the television miniseries." For those who have seen previews of the new film ("Legends of passion... Legends of betrayal...") this analysis may seem to hold water, but seeing the film buries most thoughts of trash TV.

*Legends*, which tells the story of three brothers coming of age on the Montana frontier, will likely rack up some brownie points with the critics by casting Anthony Hopkins as Col. William Ludlow, the family patriarch. Hopkins is impressive as always; his fiery portrayal somehow becomes even stronger after his character suffers a debilitating stroke.

But the man of the hour here is quite obviously Brad Pitt. Coming off the success of stealing *Interview With the Vampire* from under Tom Cruise's nose, Pitt is haunted and wickedly charming as the rebellious but favored middle brother Tristan. Pitt combines the best parts of *Interview's* tormented Louis and his smart-ass con man from *Thelma and Louise* to create a character who will have women swooning in their seats - and award committees feeling particularly generous.

The rest of the cast lends strong support to these two, especially

Aidan Quinn, who gets stuck with the nice-guy-finishes-last role as older brother Alfred. Quinn lends a solid presence to a picture which is otherwise dominated by the sometimes ethereal Pitt.

For those moviegoers who haven't seen Henry Thomas since he was E.T.'s best friend, his brief portrayal of doomed younger brother

Pitt combines the best parts of *Interview's* tormented Louis and his smart-ass con man from *Thelma and Louise*.

er Samuel evokes recollections of little Elliott, and Julia Ormond is wistfully lovely as Susanna, the woman who unintentionally tears the family apart.

*Legends*, set in the years between World War I and Prohibition, should also get high ratings for its cinematography. The scenes of the World War I trenches, in particular, are horrifyingly convincing. The mountain vistas provide a stunning backdrop to the telling of the family saga, and the scenes of Helena, Mont., as a frontier town during the Prohibition era add fascinating period color.

After a happy boyhood together,

the Ludlow brothers' love for each other is tested by the arrival of Susanna, the girl Samuel plans to marry. After Samuel is struck down by a German bullet in the trenches, a classic love triangle between Susanna and the two remaining brothers threatens the very existence of the family.

The film is narrated through letters the characters send to each other and through the tales of an Indian mystic who befriends the Ludlow family. The Native American rituals, which Tristan in particular takes to heart, lend interesting symbolism to the story. One scene, in which Tristan smears himself in the blood of Samuel's killers, reinforces the "legend" motif with chilling effectiveness.

The plot does get a little predictable in spots, as is typical with many tragic epics - for instance, the viewer pretty much knows what's going to happen to Samuel from the minute he opens his mouth and starts boasting about duty, honor and battle. But there is some unexpected fun in the end, particularly from Hopkins and Quinn.

Some facets of *Legends'* plot might seem to lend themselves to the soap-opera classification. But a quality cast and excellent cinematography put the film head and shoulders above the miniseries category.

## Spearhead gets needed Home cooking

BY DAVID LARIMER  
ARTS EDITOR

Those familiar with Michael Franti's previous works in the pseudo-rap group Disposable Heroes of Hiphoprisy might shy away from any of his other projects.

But that doesn't need to be the case with his new group.

Politically correct poster group Disposable Heroes' sparse production, hyperintellectual lyrics and dark mood all added up to the sort of music that many would laud while not be caught dead listening to.

Perhaps Franti got the same message the music himself, splitting up the group to form Spearhead. The result: Franti actually seems to be having fun, creating soulful, energetic music that manages to lighten a person's mood without sacrificing Franti's gift for lyricism.

Franti has gone from mumbling "Hypocrisy is the greatest luxury" with Disposable Heroes to calling "Throw your hands in the air / And let me see your armpit hair!" on Spearhead's debut, *Home* (Capitol). It makes a world of difference.

Of course, that's not to say that Franti has lost his interest in social issues, nor his sly ability to point out social ironies. But where he constantly hinted at conspiracy with Disposable Heroes, Franti creates small, funny, human situations in "Hole in the Bucket" and "Positive," among others.

More than anything else, however, it is the sound of Spearhead that seems to energize Franti. Though this is his project through and through (he's the lyricist, lead vocalist, co-producer and bass and acoustic guitarist), Franti is helped by the six other members of the band. They create a lush environment of laid-back grooves that could lighten anyone's mood, even if the songs aren't always about happiness.

The music has the ability to get Franti to transform his baritone from smoky to jazzy to goofy when it once was simply foreboding. It moves him to sing something as playful as "Love is the shit that makes life bloom / And you never know when you might step in it" or elaborate on the joys of red beans and rice.

Yes, there is "Crime to be Broke in America," as well as subtle nods to black empowerment tucked in nearly every song, but Spearhead puts the messages in the right place.



## SPOTLIGHT

# GW's students favor graveyard shift

BY THANH VAN TRAN  
HATCHET REPORTER

Only seconds are left before the clocks strike midnight, but unlike Cinderella who must hurry away from the ball, GW students gather together.

Whether they are studying, eating, dancing, talking or laughing, the majority of students at GW will find themselves awake beyond the midnight hour and into the wee hours of dawn. Not even the reminder of an awaiting alarm clock will keep some of these students from closing their eyes and nodding off into slumber in their beds.

Many students say these are social and not productive late night hours spent cramming for exams or writing papers. Instead, students gather for random gossip and chatter. There seems to always be one group of students on each floor of the freshman residence halls, whether it is at Thurston, Crawford or Adams, that prefer to engage in conversation with befuddled minds than get more than three hours of sleep per night.

The magnetic quality of these conversations and groups do manage to draw others into them, keeping even people with intentions of studying away from their books. With so many distractions, students say the temptation to procrastinate and socialize in these groups is incredible even when there is a test the next morning.

For those who are not sucked into the vortex of these hall gatherers, sleep still may be hard to come by. "Well, I A) try to sleep and B) fail at sleeping. It's very hard to fall asleep when five people come into your room," Brad Greenberg says.

Junior Sweth Chanthasmeli says he stays up late "pestering people who want to sleep and then I wander around." He says he finds that his studies are not influenced by his late night forays because GW is "on the upper slopes of the slacker mountain."



Freshman Lisa Cylus and Tracy Simon kill time in Thurston hallways.

Photo by Claire Duggan

Staying up so late often disrupts the normal sleeping habits. One freshman who has been plagued with this problem says, "It's kind of a vicious cycle." It starts when a student goes to bed at 8 a.m., then sleeps during the day and is unable to fall asleep again until dawn the next day.

Although most do choose to stay up during these odd hours, this sleeping problem can be accidentally self-induced. Caffeine in the form of coffee, tea or soda does wonders for perking the system up at midnight, pre-

venting many from falling asleep when it's dark again.

Many students do, however, make use of the night and study. Thurston Hall resident Becky Dietz says that she often goes to the study lounge "when there is a lot of traffic passing through our room."

The addiction to computers that keep some people like Andrew Kozma awake at nights. MUSH (Multi-User Shared Hallucination), which provides games over electronic mail, can be played for hours. As

the name implies, many people from across the country can play the game at the same time. What makes it interesting is many different people can play against each other at the same time.

Since telephone rates are lower at night, many students stay up until the night rates finally kick in. Roommates often awake to a ringing phone at 2 a.m. and hear whispers in the dark. This usually means that the roommate is talking to his loved one across the country while you are trying to find some few hours of slumber before that early morning class.

Even if you don't hear the whispers of your roommate, you may still hear the click-clicks of his computer keyboard as he uses his e-mail. Since it is an easy way to keep in contact with friends and family, e-mail is used often and late at night. Walking into the computer library at Thurston Hall at 1 a.m. to print out your paper will most likely prove more difficult than you expected because nearly all the computers are used for e-mail.

For those who live off campus, such as sophomore August Jackson who lives in Virginia, there is less of a distraction from studies since there are not 100 people always surrounding the room or clogging the hallways. "Plus," says Jackson, "There isn't very much you can do in Virginia."

This is not to say that an ordinary weeknight will keep anyone from staying in their residence halls or apartments. The daily grind of college and the people in the dorms are excuses for some people, like freshman Tom Bogle, to leave campus for a night.

"I live with 1,100 freshmen, and I've got to escape that once in a while," said Bogle. Heather Hopkins, who lives at Crawford, also feels the need to escape from the reality of college at times. "Thus, in order to keep my sanity," Hopkins says she keeps scheduled hours for "constructive misbehaving."

## Pizza Politics:

# Domino's delivers record number of pizzas in Republican revival

BY DOUGLAS PARKER  
FEATURES EDITOR

Thurston Hall may order the most Dominos pizza of any residence hall in the country but in Washington, the new Republican crew appears to be the pizza king.

In the first hour of the new Republican Congress, from midnight until 12:59:59 a.m. Jan. 4, more than 5,000 pizzas were delivered in the District, many to Capitol Hill. According to Dominos Team Washington owner Frank Meeks, this is the most pizza ever delivered in one hour, anywhere in the world.

Jan. 4 also turned out to a record day for Domino's, selling more than 12,000 pizzas. But in addition to record sales, Meeks said in a press release that the ordering patterns reflect the mood of the nation "with the reliability of a pacemaker with a Clapper control."

According to the release, meat-topped pizza orders from the White House since Election Day increased by 33 percent. The District orders

meat over vegetable topped pizzas with an 8 to 1 ratio.

Since election day, tips from Republicans on the hill dropped by 12 percent while tips from Democrats increased 3 percent.

The Dominos pizza study may show trends in foreign relations. Since the elections, the German embassy has ordered 16 percent more pizza, while the Chinese and Russian embassies are ordering close to 10 percent less pizza.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) popularity has swept the District with more than 1,100 people claiming to be named Newt while ordering.

But Gingrich is not the only name in pizza politics. During Marion Barry's inaugural speech, pizza orders dropped by 59 percent, but it was unclear if people were mesmerized or disgusted by his

words.

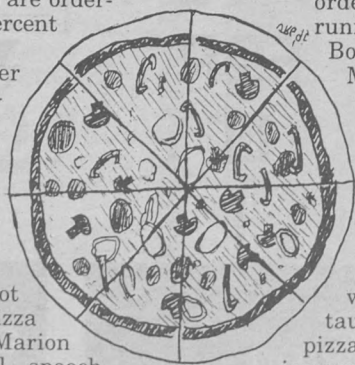
Not everything can be explained by Republicans taking office. In 1994, the number of people greeting the pizza man nude in the District rose by 31 percent, the largest increase in the nation.

In other odd occurrences:  
• Six people running in the New York City Marathon ordered pizzas by cellular phone, while four people ordered pizzas while running in both the Boston and Chicago Marathons.

• Tips from females increase 30 percent during "Melrose Place." (The release did not say if nudity increased during the show.)

• In football games with one or more taunting penalties, pizza orders tend to increase by 11 percent.

• The greatest pizza hour for the nation was during the O.J. Simpson Ford Bronco drive.



## Twenty-six books, \$412: one course?

BY DOUGLAS PARKER  
FEATURES EDITOR

The average student will spend between \$250 and \$300 on books this semester. And some will spend more, GW Bookstore General Manager Dave Peterson said.

Environmental Studies 152, taught by professor Henry Merchant requires the most books at 26, and has the highest book cost for a course with a total of \$412.

Professor Robert Combs comes in a close second in the number of books required with 23 for his American Drama course, but they total of \$204. Few other professor's required books cost come close to Merchant's, but many courses exceed \$200.

The International Affairs 292 course on Russia requires 14 books costing more than \$250. Political Science 250 will run you \$230.

The 12 books for Professor Catherine Perge's Museum Science Course "Collections Management: Practical Applications" will cost \$236.

Professor Susan Sell's Political Science 350, "International Political Economy," requires 13 books that total \$230.

Electrical engineering course 268, with no professor listed (presumably for safety reasons), requires the most expensive book listed in the Book Required list, ringing up at \$125, but Peterson spoke of an environmental science book that cost \$194(ouch!).

There are a few options for reducing book costs. The GW Bookstore charges 75 percent or the new price for used books, which is high.

Derrick Johnston at Old Forest Book Shop at 3145 Dumbarton St., says most books in the shop cost 50 percent or less of the regular price, but they carry no text books, only literature, classics and various non-fiction selections.

Other options include science book shops in the city which often carry older versions of the text books at a lower cost and the SA run book exchange.



# CAMPUS HILITES

Monday, January 16 – Sunday, January 22

Things For  
You To Do

## Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

## Tuesday, January 17

**Cooperative Education Orientation** Sponsored by the Career Center. 5 - 6pm in Acad. Center T509 Info: 994-6495

**Letters & Resumes I** Sponsored by the Career Center. 3 - 4:30pm in AC T509 Info: 994-6495

**Student Assn. Senate Meeting** at 9pm in MC 405.

## Wednesday, January 18

**Speed** Film sponsored by the Program Board. 10pm in George's. Info: 994-7313

**Job Search Strategies** Sponsored by the Career Center. 1 - 2:30pm in the AC T509. Info: 994-6495

**Student Employment Orientation** Sponsored by the Career Center. 4:30 - 5:30pm in the AC T509. I

**Campus Interviewing Orientation** Sponsored by the Career Center. 7 - 8pm in the AC T509.

**GW Women's Basketball v. Penn State** in the Smith Center. Time TBA. Info: 994-9003

**Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation** 4:30pm in the Marvin Center Theatre.

## Thursday, January 19

**Effective Interviewing** Sponsored by the Career Center. 12:30 - 2pm in the AC T509. Info: 994-6495

**Cooperative Education Orientation** Sponsored by the Career Center. 6 - 7pm in Acad. Center T509 Info: 994-6495

**Sign Making for March for Life** 9-10pm in MC 411.

## Friday, January 20

No submissions for this date.

## Saturday, January 21

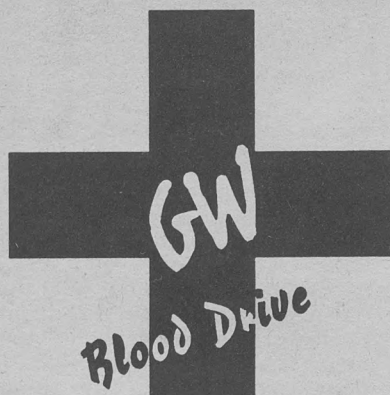
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## Sunday, January 22

**Speed** Film sponsored by the Program Board. 2pm in Colonial Commons. Info: 994-7313

**GW Men's Basketball v. Duquesne** in the Smith Center at 4:30pm. Info: 994-9003

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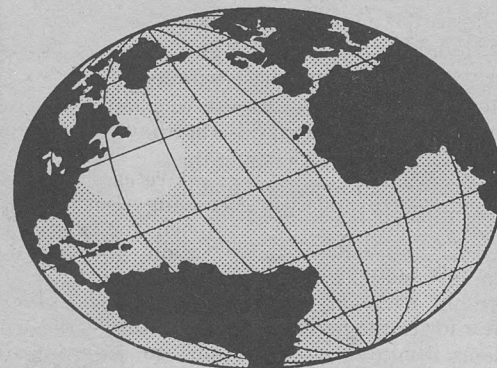
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# Reunion promotes service

(from p. 1)

now."

He praised the Teach for America alumni for contributing their talents to the fight to improve education.

"Teachers can make a huge difference," he said. "If young people see teachers interested in them, it makes a difference."

"I thank you for what you're doing," he told the alumni. "But what you're doing is not enough. You must speak out as individuals."

On Saturday morning, George Stephanopoulos was the introductory speaker at a panel discussion on young leaders. Stephanopoulos, who is senior adviser to the president for policy and strategy, told the members of Teach for America their job is to get the message out to the community about their hard work.

Stephanopoulos warned that AmeriCorps and other service programs will come under fire from the Republican Congress.

"It's incredibly gratifying ... to actually come and see the results of the work and the talk and the commitment of the president," Stephanopoulos told the teachers. He added that their battle is not won yet, however.

"You should know that it's not a foregone conclusion that all the work that you did is going to be able to continue," he said. Since AmeriCorps, the national service program which works with Teach for America, is only nine months old, Stephanopoulos said the budget-minded Congress could easily slash the program's federal funding.

He urged the teachers to go out



Paul Simon

into their communities and make sure people know the good work they have done and can continue to do.

"We can't be abstract," he said, adding that in order to succeed, Teach for America has to be a "name and a face" with most Americans.

Stephanopoulos said the controversy that will surround national service programs in the ensuing months will help the campaign keep its funding. Media attention will build "support and outrage," he said.

Stephanopoulos praised the teachers for breaking the "boring generation" stereotype that has been attached to people in their 20s. He said Teach for America had played a large and important role in "fixing things up."

Former Pennsylvania Sen. Wofford said he envisions the eventual integration of a national service corps and international service corps. Participants would



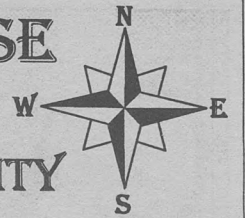
George Stephanopoulos

spend a year taking part in a national service program at either the beginning or the end of their foreign service assignment.

The former senator said he remembered when President Kennedy asked students in Ann Arbor, Mich., if they would want to serve their country for "five, 15 or 20 years." He said organizations such as Teach for America should have these same big goals to be able to succeed.

-Tracy Sisser contributed to this report.

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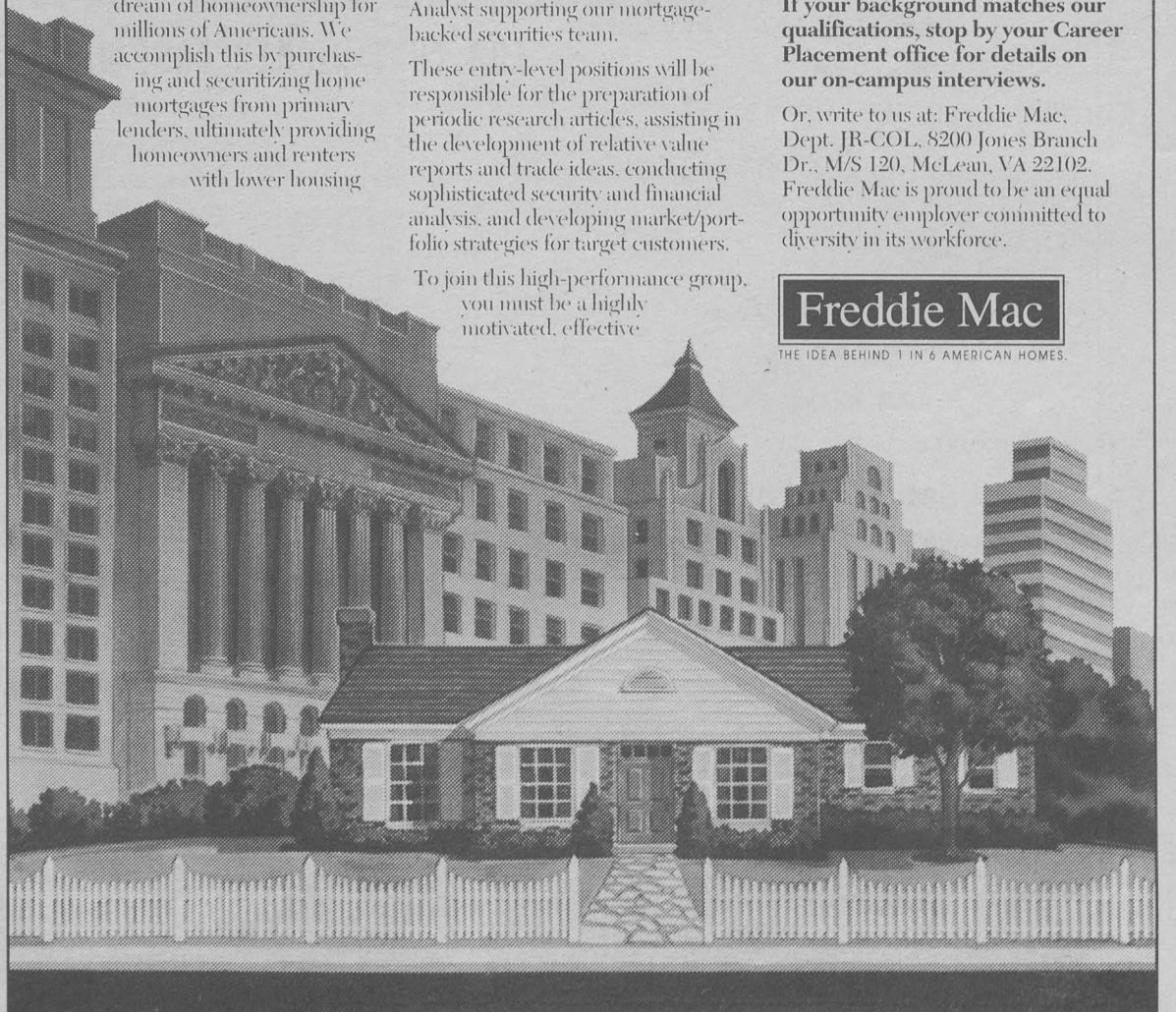
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## SPORTS

## Box Scores

GW 77, St. Bonaventure 72										
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
Evans	36	7-14	2-2	3-8	4	19				
Hammons	32	3-6	3-8	2-6	5	10				
Moses	30	1-1	1-2	0-4	2	4				
Hart	33	5-9	4-5	4-8	5	14				
Calloway	21	1-3	1-2	0-0	2	4				
Jones	23	2-4	9-12	0-6	2	14				
Kouli	14	4-9	4-7	1-4	2	12				
Wise	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0				
TOTALS	200	23-46	24-38	11-39	24	77				

GW 69, UMass 60										
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
McCrea	26	1-5	0-0	1-2	4	3				
Neville	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0				
Hemery	39	6-18	2-2	0-0	1	15				
Saar	36	6-11	2-3	1-4	1	14				
Loneragan	15	2-4	0-0	0-3	1	4				
Cernignano	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	3				
Abraham	22	3-6	2-4	2-5	2	8				
Sawyers	17	0-1	0-2	2-4	1	0				
Williams	26	11-16	0-1	2-5	3	22				
TOTALS	200	30-64	6-12	10-25	14	69				

Penn State 90, GW 85										
Penn State	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
Longworth	22	1-6	3-5	2-4	4	6				
Masley	32	8-22	4-6	5-10	2	20				
Calhoun	17	3-7	0-2	2-6	5	6				
Nicholson	40	4-9	8-8	1-4	2	18				
Coleman	24	1-6	4-6	3-5	2	6				
Parsons	32	3-10	0-0	1-2	2	7				
Thayer	5	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	3				
Pothoff	26	10-24	4-4	5-13	3	24				
Hrvnak	2	0-1	0-0	1-2	1	0				
TOTALS	200	31-77	23-31	22-56	21	90				

GW 82, S.W. Missouri State 64										
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
Acher	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0				
Goheen	1	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	2				
McCrea	27	1-5	5-6	1-3	2	7				
Neville	5	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0				
Hemery	31	10-14	2-3	0-1	2	23				
Saar	29	3-12	3-4	2-8	4	9				
Loneragan	26	1-2	6-8	0-3	4	8				
Cernignano	20	4-9	0-0	0-2	2	9				
Abraham	25	4-10	0-0	0-4	3	8				
Sawyers	8	2-3	0-0	1-1	1	5				
Williams	26	5-6	1-3	0-5	1	11				
TOTALS	200	30-61	19-26	6-33	21	82				

West Virginia 62, GW 57										
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
Evans	31	5-14	4-5	2-7	5	15				
Hammons	29	1-8	4-6	1-7	4	6				
Moses	36	0-7	0-0	0-5	3	0				
Hart	11	2-3	0-0	0-2	3	0				
Calloway	6	1-3	0-0	0-1	3	4				
Jones	35	4-10	0-1	3-6	4	10				
Williams	16	0-0	0-1	2-4	4	0				
Kouli	31	7-10	6-12	6-14	2	20				
Wise	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0				
TOTALS	200	20-55	14-25	16-52	26	57				

GW 84, Rhode Island 80										
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	SB	MIN	FG	FT
Evans	31	5-16	4-6	3-7	4	15				
Hammons	30	4-9	7-7	3-6	4	15				
Moses	25	0-0	5-9	0-2	1	5				
Green	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0				
Hart	32	3-8	7-9	3-6	4	13				
Calloway	10	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	0				
Jones	31	6-11	9-10	0-5	2	22				
Williams	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0				
Kouli	28	5-10	4-8	6-12	5	14				
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TOTALS	200	23-56	36-49	23-50	23	84				

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## SPORTS

## Inconsistent Colonials still trying to get back on track

BY JARED SHER  
SPORTS EDITOR

The GW men's basketball team spent the holiday trying to find its identity. The Colonials masqueraded through the opening of Atlantic 10 conference play trying to differentiate between their split personalities.

At times, GW looked unbeatable and inspired. At other times, it looked sloppy and mediocre at best. The team suffered from inconsistency and poor play on the road while holding on most of the time at home.

The tumultuous stretch has left the Colonials record at 9-7, 2-2 in the A-10. The nine wins are commendable, but the team is now mired in the middle of the pack in the suddenly competitive conference.

The conference mark is perhaps of most concern to head coach Mike Jarvis and his Colonials. The team started with two straight wins at home before losing to St. Joseph's in Philadelphia. However, the team held a team meeting following the lackluster performance against the Hawks and came home trying to rebound.

Instead, they met a feisty West Virginia squad which shocked GW on its home court, 62-57. The Colonials had been 6-0 at the Smith Center this season and had won 20 of their past 21 games in the friendly confines of home.

The loss showcased the play that has plagued the team since its solid run through the Preseason NIT to start the season. GW has time and again built big leads only to squander them down the stretch. The Colonials had pulled the close ones out at home, until the Mountaineers visited Jan. 14.

GW streaked out to a 10-0 lead

early and held WVU without a field goal for nearly eight minutes to start the game. The Colonials' lead could easily have been larger, but the team failed to take full advantage of its opportunities.

"You're saying, 'things are going decent' and yet at the same time, you're saying, 'you know, we should probably be up 20' but we weren't," Jarvis said.

The loss squandered a fine performance by Alexander Koul. The center had been slumping, looking very much like a freshman. However, against the Mountaineers, he dominated the inside game in perhaps his best all-around performance.

Koul put up 20 points, pulled down 14 rebounds and rejected seven WVU shots. Yet despite Koul's attempt to carry the team, GW shot just 36 percent for the game. The Colonials turned the ball over 23 times and hit just three of 20 from long range.

The story was similar against the Hawks Jan. 12. The Colonials coasted to an early lead, this time 23-14, before St. Joe's scrambled back. The Hawks embarked on a 9-0 run to close the gap and continued their hot shooting to pull away in the second half of a 79-65 win.

St. Joseph's shot 52 percent from the floor and GW could not stay close down the stretch. Kwame Evans paced the Colonials with 28 points, including a school-record six three-pointers. Antoine Hart added 14 points, but Koul (four points, two rebounds) played just 12 minutes.

Five Colonials scored in double figures, but it took clutch free-throw shooting from Vaughn Jones before GW could hold off URI at home, 84-80.

The Colonials tried again to close the door in the second half,



photo by Abdul El-Tayef

**Nimbo Hammons drives past a St. Bonaventure defender in GW's A-10 opener. Hammons has struggled throughout the first half of this season, failing to show the form that earned him preseason All-Conference honors. He shot 1-8 from the field and scored just six points against WVU.**

opening up a 16-point lead and keeping the margin at 10 with just over two minutes to play. However, the Rams gave GW a scare, pulling within one with 14 seconds on the clock before Jones' free-throws.

The team took to the road, but was thrashed by UNC-Charlotte Jan. 7 in a non-conference game. The loss was GW's fifth in six road tries in what has been a struggle for the team away from home.

The Colonials did pick up a win over St. Bonaventure to kick off the A-10 season, 77-72. Once again, GW led by as many as 15 and had to sur-

vive a late run by the Bonnies. Evans led the team with 19 points.

The Colonials started out the new year by routing American for the second straight year. GW trailed at halftime, but used an exciting second half burst to pull away, 81-63.

Jarvis was ejected from the game midway through the second half, but the move only seemed to spark his team. The Colonials used the ejection as a springboard for the run which closed out the game.

GW closed out 1994 with a difficult road swing. While the team

salvaged the Far West Classic by beating Oregon State 77-70, it lost in disappointing fashion to No. 25 Oregon a day earlier.

The Colonials and Ducks were tied as Koul was fouled with no time left in regulation. Koul was awarded two free throws and had to hit just one to give GW the win. He missed both and the Colonials fell in overtime, 77-72.

The team also fell in to Richmond Dec. 11, 78-74. GW fell into a hole too deep to climb out of after a lazy first half. The team rallied late in the game, but to no avail.

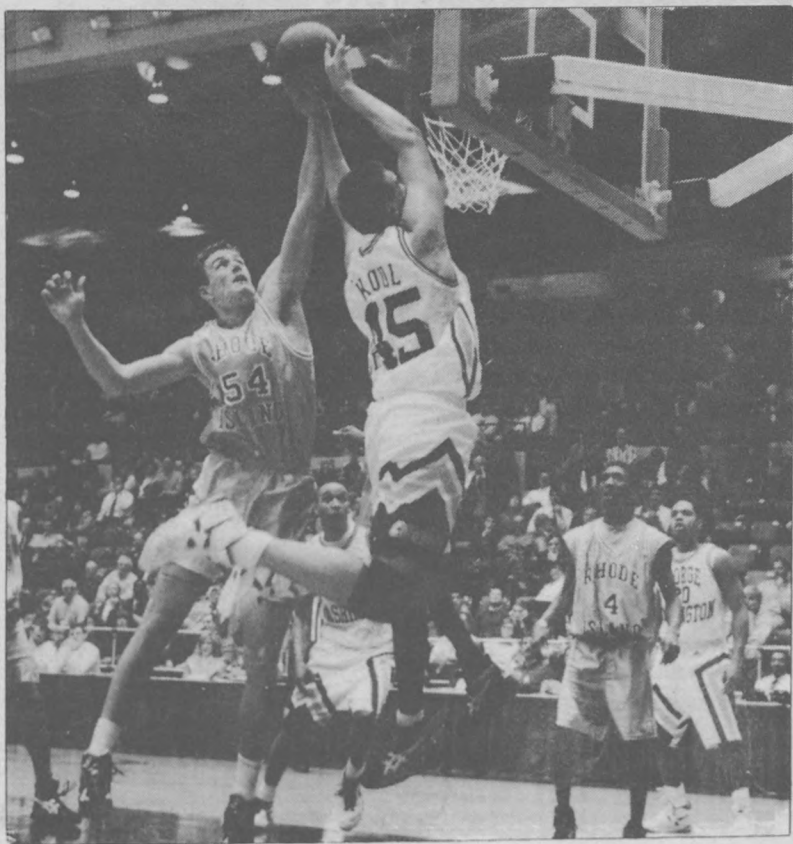


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**Alexander Koul flies through the air with the greatest of ease against the Rhode Island defense.**

## BACKBOARD BOX



### #16 George Washington (11-1)

GW's only loss this season came at the hands of the Lady Lions earlier this season. On Dec. 22, the Colonial Women dropped the contest against their former Atlantic 10 foe, 90-85, in the final of the Showboat Shootout in Las Vegas. Since then, GW has claimed five straight victories, including a 4-0 start in the

conference. The team is coming off a 69-60 win over Massachusetts before its largest home crowd of the season. Senior Debbie Hemery continues to pace the Colonial Women at 20.2 points per game. She managed 20 points on just 8-19 shooting in the earlier meeting. Tajama Abraham led the Colonial Women with 22 points, but GW shot only 41 percent for the game and turned the ball over 19 times. Nonetheless, the team was still in the game late, trailing by three with under five minutes on the clock.

### Penn State at GW, Tuesday, 7 p.m., The Smith Center



### #12 Penn State (9-3)

Penn State started the season among the nation's elite teams. However, the Lady Lions have struggled a bit of late, dropping a pair of Big 10 conference games. The team has also lost to #1 Tennessee. Thus, while PSU ranked in at No. five in the nation at the Showboat Shootout, the team has free-fallen to 12th in

the most recent polls. The last time the teams met, Penn State did not shoot well, but out-rebounded GW 56-44. The Lady Lions staked themselves to a 12 point halftime lead and nearly blew the game down the stretch. They held on, though, behind three players in double figures in scoring. Angie Potthoff led the way with 24 points on 10-14 shooting. Meanwhile, Missy Masley added 20 points and Tina Nicholson followed with a double-double (18 points, 11 assists).



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Debbie Hemery (#23) eludes a Lady Bear defender on her way to a basket in the Colonial Women's 18-point drubbing of the formerly-ranked team.

## GW enjoys bountiful break at home

*Since you've been gone: Colonial Women go to 11-1*

BY KYNAN KELLY  
SPORTS EDITOR

While the rest of GW went home for a long winter's break, the women's basketball team traveled west to Las Vegas before returning to D.C. for a successful home stand on the East Coast. Since Dec. 29, the 16th-ranked Colonial Women improved their record to 11-1 (4-0 in the Atlantic 10) with wins over Southwest Missouri State, Duquesne, Rutgers, St. Joseph's and Massachusetts.

In a battle of A-10 unbeaten teams, Martha Williams scored a career-high 22 points on 11-of-16 shooting to lead the Colonial Women past the Minutewomen Sunday afternoon. GW's two other seniors, Debbie Hemery and Darlene Saar, lent helping hands with 15 and 14 points, respectively, and had six assists apiece.

"Our seniors did a great job tonight when the game was on the line," head coach Joe McKeown said. "They made good plays and good decisions. Saar took a great charge from (UMass' Octavia) Thomas which could have been a three-point play the other way."

The Colonial Women managed to build a 13-point lead in the beginning of the second half but couldn't pull away from the turnover-prone Minutewomen, who lost the ball 30 times. Some of the turnovers were caused by GW's 12 steals, but most resulted from the physical, fast-paced play.

"I was disappointed, obviously, in our turnovers. We haven't had 30 turnovers in two years," UMass head coach Joanie O'Brien said. "I felt like a good deal of them were unforced, like bad passes, just because we played a little bit afraid for no apparent reason."

UMass erased GW's biggest lead by scoring 13 unanswered points, nine of which were contributed by freshman forward Tez Kraft off the bench. Junior guard Tricia Hopson nailed a three-point shot with 11 minutes left to tie the score at 49, but Saar blocked her next attempt from downtown and UMass could not capture the lead.

The Colonial Women pulled away for good three minutes later as Williams scooped up a Sabriya Mitchell turnover and passed it to Hemery in the transition, who in turn dished it to Saar in the lane. Saar made the layup and was fouled, bringing the crowd of 1,321 at the Smith Center to its feet. Her foul shot gave GW a five-point lead, 58-53.

It was GW's turn to score unanswered points, and

Saar and Williams combined for the last 10. UMass' tank was too empty to make another run.

Despite the short breakdown in the second half, GW took advantage of its major strengths to maintain leads throughout the game. It played sticky defense and caused a few key turnovers with its periodic full-court presses.

The opportunities translated into crisp passes on offense, especially inside to Williams, who handled the ball well. In addition to her scoring, she distributed three assists and tallied three blocks. McKeown used the center combination of Williams and Tajama Abraham extensively in the first half to soften and exhaust the Minutewomen's defense.

O'Brien acknowledged that Williams was a major factor in the game, and always seems to have the Minutewomen's number. "Williams does it every time she plays us. She could go 0-for-0 against about 18 other schools, and she plays us and she just kicks our butt. We just allowed her to get too near the basket."

Abraham, who separated her shoulder in practice, still managed to play 22 minutes and score eight points — the fourth highest on the team behind the seniors' efforts.

The Colonial Women's Jan. 10 trip to St. Joseph's proved much tougher, but they still clung to a 55-53 victory. GW burst out on a 12-3 second half run to erase a five-point halftime deficit and led 45-39 with eight minutes left.

SJU came back to tie the game at 47 less than two minutes later and the teams battled to a 53-53 deadlock with 1:04 left. St. Joe's missed its last three shots, and Hemery got a pull-up jumper from the free throw line to sink for the game-winner with 4.7 seconds left. Saar had a game-high 11 rebounds to tally her fifth double-double of the season and the 41st of her career.

Before the SJU thriller, GW returned from its trip out west for a successful three-game home stand. A hard-fought 73-70 victory over Rutgers Jan. 7 came down to free throws. Rutgers had a chance to steal the game at the end but was forced to foul to stop the clock, and the Colonial Women made their free throws to hang on.

GW opened its A-10 season Jan. 4 against Duquesne with a 82-52 cakewalk, led by Hemery's 20 points. Likewise, her game-high 23 points in the Dec. 29 matchup with Southwest Missouri State ended in a 82-64 trouncing of a team which only recently fell out of the top 25.

## Viva Las Vegas: GW wins 1 of 2 out west

BY KYNAN KELLY  
SPORTS EDITOR

**LAS VEGAS** — After running roughshod over Georgetown and the GW Invitational field earlier in December, GW was forced to rise to the challenge of two tough teams. The Colonial Women did a little showboating of their own at the Showboat Shootout Dec. 21-22 and came away with a win over UNLV and a close loss to Penn State in the championship.

### Penn State 90, GW 85

In the championship game, the Colonial Women were forced to claw back from a 50-38 halftime deficit to almost upset the then-No. 5 Lady Lions. GW came out hustling in the second half and started to muscle its way for rebounds at both ends.

As PSU's shooting began to warm up, the Colonial Women made better, more opportune shots inside, and Abraham came off a dismal performance the night before to light things up in the lane. She faked and wheeled around Penn State's formidable forwards to get higher percentage shots and led GW with a team-high 22 points.

With head coach Joe McKeown yelling "Work, TJ!" from the sidelines, Abraham responded by ripping down a tough rebound amid the forest of Lady Lions and passed the outlet to all-tournament team member Debbie Hemery. Hemery was fouled on the layup at the other end and hit both foul shots to pull GW within six, 56-50.

Penn State hit one of its periodic cold shooting spells in the lane and instead kept its lead at no less than five on two clutch three-point-

ers from point guard Tina Nicholson. Every time GW threatened to cut the lead to three or less, the Lady Lions resorted to getting their points from the three-point and free-throw lines to gain a more comfortable margin.

"Our inside players couldn't hit the broad side of a barn," PSU head coach Rene Portland said. "(GW) obviously intimidated us. We're just real lucky we have a great point guard."

GW managed in the first half to stifle Penn State's open court game and the quick feeds inside to Missy Masley and Angie Potthoff, which allowed PSU to run it up 105-58 over the University of Houston the night before.

In addition, the Lady Lions' shots repeatedly clanked off the rim. Nevertheless, Penn State opened up 16-point lead at one point. Then GW started running with PSU and finding Abraham inside as the half wound down and the lead was cut to 12.

### GW 93, UNLV 85

The Colonial Women used 21-for-27 free-throw shooting, and 14-for-16 from Darlene Saar, to overwhelm the pesky Lady Rebels. GW led 50-45 at halftime, but UNLV's Gwynn Hobbs hit two three-pointers to keep her team close.

Lady Rebel center Tracy Titus paced UNLV with a career-high 30 points. Hemery matched that with 30 of her own points and Saar contributed 24 points after struggling to score in the first five games. Fortunately for GW, sophomore Lisa Cermignano shed her shooting slump and hit three of her six three-point attempts to finish with 15 points.

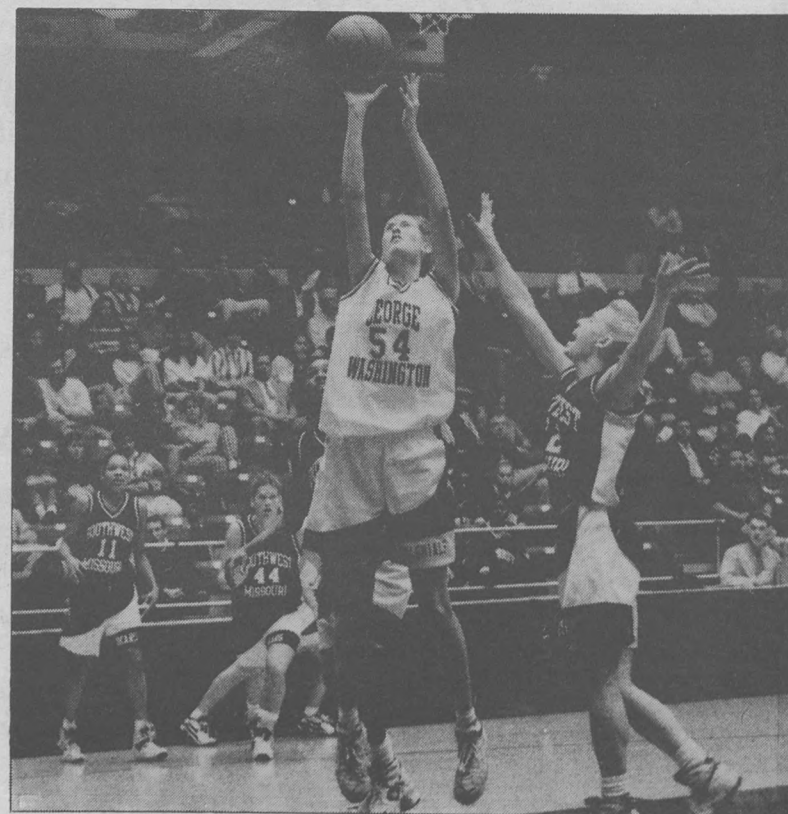


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Martha Williams goes up strong for an easy two. The senior center led the team to a win over UMass with a career-high 22 points.



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View From the Cheap Seats ...

## Airwaves abound with sports airheads on D.C.'s WTEM radio

GW sports fans just returning from winter break will have a surprise waiting for them. Besides the disappointing record of our men's team and the still-excellent record of our women's team, sports nuts are undoubtedly relieved by the preservation of Washington's only all-sports radio network, WTEM 570.

The details are fuzzy, but in late December there was some talk of canceling the "Team" because of low ratings. Washingtonians are too focused on the political world. Thus, there was question as to whether there was a market for a radio station that focused on the Redskins instead of the Republicans and on Don Imus rather than Rush Limbaugh. Well, WTEM is still around, and that's a good thing, because radio holds a special place in the sports world.

I'm especially partial to call-in shows, because it's such a delightful showcase of the lunacy of true sports fans. Nowhere else will you

find guys who can't show their sensitive side to their own mothers express heartfelt grief and sympathy over the hamstring pulls of complete strangers. Where else can Benny from Arlington or Sal from Bethesda call in and explain those ludicrous, impossible trades that solely benefit their teams? For example, "Yeah, I think the Redskins should trade Desmond Howard and Heath Shuler to the 49ers for Steve Young and Jerry Rice. And hey, this is a good trade for San Francisco, too!"

I also love those little quirks of shows like this. It seems every schmoe who can dial a phone begins with, "long-time listener, first-time caller." Nobody ever writes to The Hatchet with, "First-time writer, long-time reader."

But most importantly, sports radio is an outlet for frustrated fans (and in a town with the Redskins, Bullets and Capitals, Washington has lots of them). Callers get to publicly berate any-

one who happens to be this week's loser. For example:

Caller: Hey, did you see that error in the ninth inning of the Orioles game the other day? I can't understand why the manager didn't bench that damn shortstop!

Host: Buddy, it's Cal Ripken. He's got more golden gloves than King Midas. He's started every game since the Civil War. It was his first error in over a decade. He's one of the greatest shortstops in the history of the game ...

Caller: Ahh, he's a bum! If he can't get the job done, he should be put out to pasture! They shoot horses who can't run, don't they?

Radio, of course, is also the only medium that covers many of the GW men's road games. There's only two drawbacks to radio sports. One, there's not much point to an instant replay in radio.

Two, radio doesn't have much room for sports columnists.

-Jim Geraghty

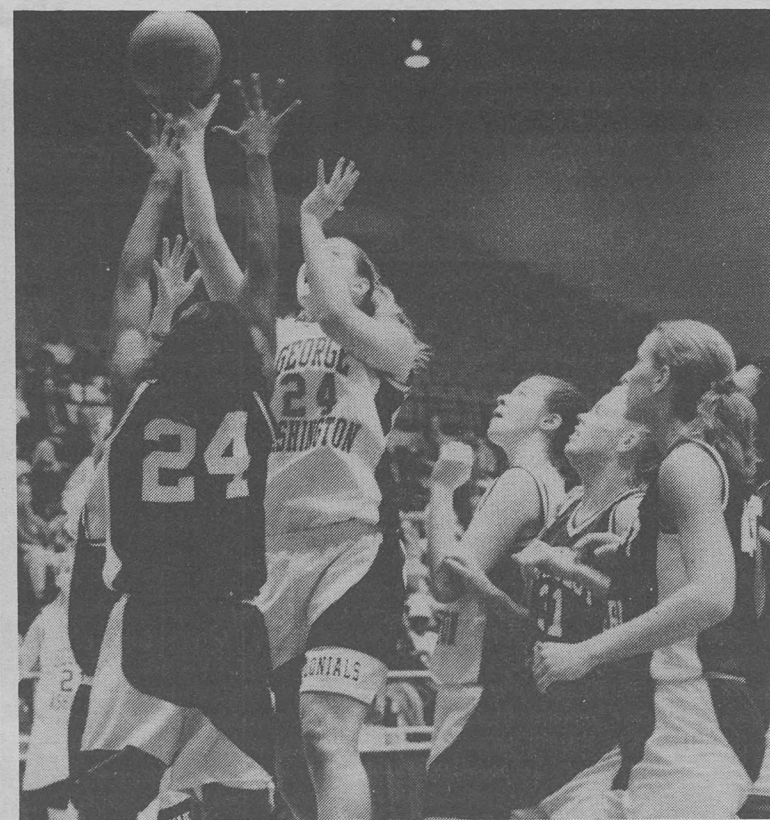


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Darlene Saar (#24) puts up a shot in heavy traffic against Southwest Missouri State Dec. 29.

## The GW Columnial

## Come see Joe 'pissed off'

Unlike the top 25 in men's college basketball, where Oregon can rise to the challenge of UCLA and several teams have played hot potato with the No. 1 spot, the rankings in women's hoops are more stratified, with the top five teams clearly dominant over the rest of the field.

After debuting at No. 18, the GW women's basketball team has hovered between 19th and 16th, where they now stand at 11-1, 4-0 in the Atlantic 10.

Tuesday night, however, the 16th-ranked Colonial Women have a chance to topple 12th-ranked Penn State in the Smith Center. It's also their second chance to beat the Lady Lions this season, after barely losing by five at the Showboat Shootout in Las Vegas Dec. 22. Should GW win, it would be a momentous step toward cracking the top 10.

It might also give head coach Joe McKeown and his team some much deserved respect - not only nationally, but on the GW campus.

After GW's 69-60 win over UMass Sunday afternoon, which was attended by 1,321 - the largest home crowd for the Colonial Women this season, McKeown said it was high time for the rest of GW to come out and see the most successful basketball team in the D.C.-Maryland area over the last four years.

"This is one of the premier women's basketball teams in the nation, and I have to keep telling people that and it pisses me off sometimes," McKeown said. "But if you look at the numbers and what it's all about, we should be playing Penn State, Auburn and Tennessee."

"We're not always going to win some of those games, but that's the level we're capable of playing at. That's the difference, and I wish GW people would recognize the fact that this is one of the premier

programs in the country and (the Penn State game) should be sold out. I'm tired of the bullshit."

Since that desert showdown, when Penn State was ranked 5th, the 9-3 Lady Lions have lost two games to drop to 12th. The Colonial Women showed they could play with Penn State Dec. 22, and if they play as well as they did in the 90-85 loss and get some help from the home court advantage, they can contribute to PSU's freefall.

Ah, but there's the crux. Home court advantage could have a real effect on this game, if GW's basketball fans return from break hungry for some winning basketball. The Lady Lions, who defected from the A-10 prior to the 1991-92 season, don't have much respect for the Colonial Women's home. They handed then-24th ranked GW its first loss of the year 77-62 on Feb. 28, 1991 in the last meeting at the Smith Center. Penn State leads the series 17-1.

But right now none of that matters. GW is playing great basketball and McKeown's fired-up attitude is catching among the Colonial Women. You almost get the feeling McKeown won't let GW lose, and a fired up crowd will help the cause. The usually ram-bunctious McKeown has remained fairly calm on the sidelines so far this season.

Don't expect that to last, though. The thousands of fans who show for the rematch will see McKeown storming the sidelines as the Colonial Women storm down the court and show PSU how far GW basketball has come. You might even see McKeown do his trademark throw-the-jacket routine.

After all, when was the last time Mike Jarvis got kicked out of a game before Jumpin' Joe?

-Kynan Kelly

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# SPORTS

Mark my Words ...

## Watch out for the curse of Smith Center

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You've all heard the old slogan "Nobody leaves a Colonials' game early." Well, whoever came up with that one is either really smart or really cruel. GW spent the winter holiday proving the slogan true time and time again.

It seemed each time the Colonials had a sizable lead down the stretch, their opponents thundered back. Thirteen-point leads with just minutes to play became one-point leads with seconds to play. It was scary, actually, as the curse gripped the Smith Center almost every night.

Maybe it's a conspiracy. Not that there aren't enough conspiracy theories floating around out there, but still, maybe it's an effort to entice more fans to buy season tickets. If the games are exciting, more people will want to come. This would all be fine and dandy except that sometimes, you're gonna get burned by letting a team hang around at the end. Just ask anyone from West Virginia.

Speaking of the Mountaineers, who gave them the right to come in here and beat us at home?

We're GW. We don't lose those games at Smith. We were 6-0 there this year, winners of 20 of the past 21. We beat UMass here last year. Now we lose to paltry WVU. There's just no logic to it.

While we're on the subject of history, we might wish to discuss recent developments in uniform etiquette. Granted, the NFL has been spending its 75th anniversary season using throwback uniforms, but why GW has decided to join this foray is beyond me.

The Colonials have new uniforms this year. They have different ones for home and away games. It doesn't stop there, however. The team has three colors, the proverbial buff, the legendary blue and the throwback white.

Now, if you wear blue on the road and buff at home, when do you need the white? Perhaps the white uniforms are in honor of this throwback tradition, back to the days before buff was granted full status as a primary uniform color. In other words, back to the days of Dirkk Surles and Sonni Holland, and the foundation for a run to the "Sweet 16."

If this is the case, let's embrace this attempt to recapture old glory with open arms. (Hey, it's worked for the 49ers.) Pretty soon, maybe we'll be wearing those tight, short shorts and neoprene jerseys, right out of the movie Hoosiers.

If anyone has any information that leads to a more complete understanding of these dilemmas, rewards are available. Send your responses to the "Save Our Team Headquarters." The reward: a little peace of mind and, just maybe, a third straight NCAA appearance.

-Jared Sher

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